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## Bryan Staff Members Discuss Panel Topic At Toccoa Meeting

Contributing to the program of the Southeastern Regional Conference of the North American Association of Bible Institutes and Bible Colleges, four Bryan faculty members participated in a panel discussion Monday, January 19.

The two-day conference session was held at Toccoa Falls Schools for faculty and staff members of all member institutions in the area. President of the association is Dr. Charles Seidenspinner, who is also president of the Southeastern Bible College in Birmingham, Alabama.

"Student Counseling, Guidance and Help" provided the subject for the Bryan panel discussion led by D. W. Ryther, dean. Also participating were Miss Kathleen Cowan, dean of women; William D. Green, associate professor of psychology; and Kermit Zopfi, instructor in Christian Education.

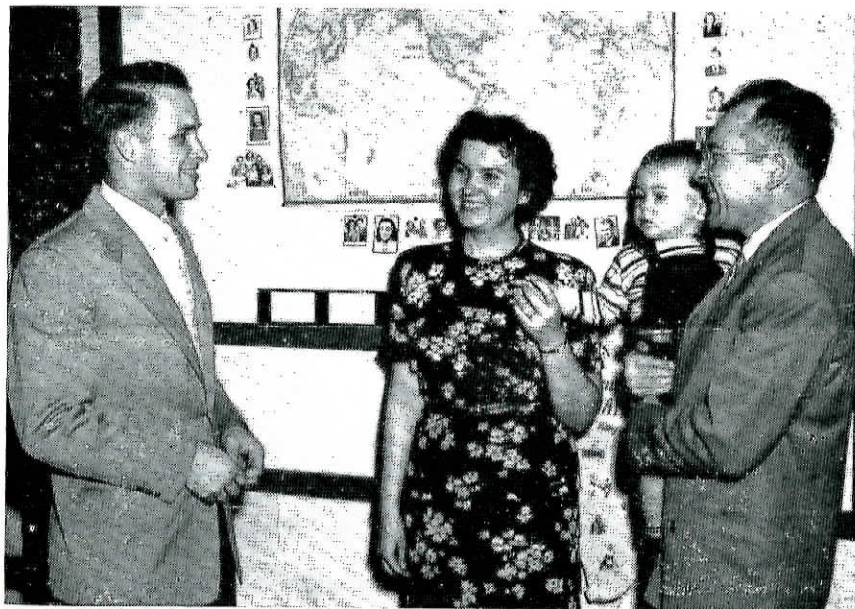
Conference addresses were given by Dr. Howard Ferrin, president of Providence Bible Institute; Dr. Julian Bandy, assistant to the

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## Enrollment Reaches 277

Seven new students were on hand to register for the winter term January 6. This increase brings the total enrollment to 277, of whom 124 are new this year. The fall quarter total was the largest Bryan has had.

Robert McCarrell of Clinton, Pennsylvania, is a transfer student who registered as a sophomore, and Woodrow Good of New Holland, Pennsylvania; Everett Hamm of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; and Delphine Napiorkowski of Hamtramck, Michigan, are freshmen. Three special students are Frances Donehoo of Atlanta, Georgia; Beverly Kampf of Chicago, Illinois; and Mrs. Dorothy Wyatt of Dayton.



Dean Koontz, Foreign Missions Fellowship president, discusses conference plans with two of the speakers, the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Neetz. In the background is the F. M. F. world map with pictures of the Bryan missionaries.

## Reidhead, Neetz, Lieb Represent Missions To Students at Annual F.M.F. Conference

"Awake!" was the challenge of the sixth annual Foreign Missions Fellowship Conference held January 16 to 18. The entire conference was centered on the theme, "Awake to righteousness, and sin not: for some have not the knowledge of God; I speak this to your shame." (I Cor. 15:34.)

The Rev. Paris W. Reidhead, deputation secretary for the Sudan Interior Mission in the Southeastern District, brought the challenge of the Sudan. Mr. Reidhead has had considerable experience on the foreign field of Africa. He was one of the main speakers at the regional F. M. F. conference which was held at Toccoa Falls,

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Georgia, last spring.

Work among the Jewish people was represented by the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Neetz. Mrs. Neetz, a Bryan graduate of 1940, and her husband are itinerant missionaries in the southern states under World Missions, Inc. The Rev. and Mrs. Edward Lieb, also Bryan graduates, spoke about their work in Brazil. They recently returned to the States because of ill health after having spent one term on the field under the Brazil Gospel Fellowship.

The three-day sessions were organized by the local F. M. F., of which Dean Koontz is president. The fellowship this year has a roll of 40 active members and 21 associate members.

Another Bryan graduate, Lyman Goehring, spoke at the January 14 meeting of the F. M. F. Mr. Goehring and his wife, the former Helen Parden who is also an alumna, are accepted candidates for Brazil under Mid-Missions.



## From My Heart to You



The Lord has been most real and precious to me during the recent weeks of testing, and I have been particularly blessed in my soul to see Him draw His stewards in loving fellowship to meet the material needs of the school.

Our friend, "the blind man" sent silver dimes again as Gifts-for-the-King, twelve dollars of them saved for this purpose over the past year. Several friends have made their first gift to the university, and two alumni groups sent offerings—most of the alumni in one group being seminary students and some in the other group being missionaries preparing to leave for the field. Then, too, a check was received representing contributions from staff members of another definitely Christian college.

But, much more of significance has been involved than just an upward surge in gift income to meet urgent needs.

The Bryan University family spirit has been clearly manifested as students, alumni, trustees, and other friends have united for prayer and action. The experience has made us much more conscious of the ties of Christian fellowship.

By their response to the need, these have expressed their appreciation for the work that the school is doing in fulfilling its mission. I quote from a letter just received from one of our graduates: "Being away from Bryan these past few years has only endeared the school to us the more. Bryan is still very much in the minds and hearts of the alumni here at Dallas Semi-

nary and of all the Bryan alumni in the Dallas area.

"We have recently formed an alumni association here to help keep alive that spirit and common interest that we share in Bryan University. We realize how vitally needed the school is; and how tremendously important it has become in the field of Christian education. Because of this, we all

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## Stranded Students Find Blessings in Troubles

"Going to church makes a difference," stated the editor of the **Shelbina Democrat** in Shelbina, Missouri, as he described the adventures of a carload of Bryan students who were stranded there while returning to school after the holidays.

It was not long after David Harmon, Joyce Johnson, and Grace Smith left Denver, Colorado, January 3, before their car had developed a series of troubles, including a flat tire and a number of mysterious knocks and rattles. However, they continued on their way and were later joined by James Kirtley, Edythe Howsden, and Loretta Craig in Missouri.

The six were enjoying their own evening devotions in the car as they rattled through Shelbina, but a few miles past the town, the car "blew up"—as Grace later described it—and shuddered to a stop. Knowing that this time they needed the services of a mechanic, the group secured a ride into town, registered at the hotel, and went to church.

When the members of the little Baptist church which they attended found out their distress, they literally "adopted" the six for the two days. After the car had been repaired and the group was ready to leave Tuesday night, they had received meals and lodging from members of the congregation, and \$75 contributed by the local businessmen and others of the town's residents which nearly covered the cost of the car repair.

As they continued on their way toward Bryan, the students kept thinking of the abundant blessings of the Lord and of the verse He had given them in the hotel Sunday night, "Set yourselves, stand ye still and see the salvation of the Lord..."

## Betty Bennett to Give Violin Concert; Other Artists to Appear

In a program of classical and sacred music, Miss Betty Bennett will present a violin concert on Bryan Hill February 12. Betty is a 16-year-old Christian high school student of Brecksville, Ohio, who has made a number of outstanding accomplishments with her violin.

As first violinist of Ohio, having been concertmaster of the All-Ohio orchestra concerts in four consecutive years, Betty is well recognized for her unusual musical talents. She attended the Transylvania Music Camp in North Carolina last summer on a scholarship awarded her by the National Federation of Music Clubs.

Concert violinist Miss Claire Wellman will continue the artist series with her performance February 2. Miss Wellman, who has appeared here several times before, has achieved wide recognition since her debut several years ago.

The Zoellner String Quartet is to appear March 5. The quartet, described by critics as "a perfection of ensemble rarely achieved," was organized a few years ago by Joseph Zoellner, Jr., on the basis of experience gathered from the original Zoellner string quartet which was headed by his father.

Members of the group, who will be appearing with Mr. Zoellner, who plays the violoncello, are Gaylord Browne and Donald Gelman, violinists, and Wallace R. Sellers, violist.

## Zelpha Russell Joins Hebrew Mission Work

Miss Zelpha Russell recently resigned from her position as assistant in stewardship to assume new responsibilities as missionary and office secretary for the Southern Hebrew Mission in Chattanooga. Miss Russell served in her capacity in the stewardship department for nearly three years.

Miss Ann Wildern, secretary to President Judson A. Rudd, and Miss Hazel Nell Geiger, assistant to the secretary in Public Relations, have taken over Miss Russell's work.



## Dr. Hujer Illustrates Talk to Science Club

Dr. Karel Hujer, assistant professor of astronomy and physics at the University of Chattanooga, spoke at the meeting of Gamma Chi, the science club of Bryan, Tuesday, January 13.

"Our Universe and the World's Largest Telescope" was the subject of Dr. Hujer's talk, which was illustrated with slides of observations made from the 200-inch Hale telescope at Mt. Palomar, California. Dr. Hujer spent the past two summers in California doing research at Mt. Palomar.

A few years ago Dr. Hujer conducted Bryan students through the Jones Observatory in Chattanooga, where he was director.

December's topic for consideration by the science club was photography. Plans are now under way for a cave expedition in February and the annual spring banquet in the spring quarter.

**Gamma Chi Newsletter** is the name of the tri-weekly mimeographed publication initiated this year by the club "in the interest of true science for God's glory at Bryan." Senior Fred Donehoo is editor of the paper, assisted by Betty Joy Rankin, junior, and Joanne Rankin, freshman.

## First Quarter Report Lists 27 on Honor Roll

According to the report released by Miss Lois Weyhe, registrar, 27 students rated the Dean's and Honor Lists for the fall quarter which ended December 19.

The Dean's List, requiring at least a 2.5, or straight "A" average, included Martha Sheffield, Joseph Henry, Betty Starring and Joyann Conlan. Martha averaged 2.705, the highest record made by anyone during the past two years.

The Honor List, comprising the remaining upper 10 per cent of the student body, was composed of Fayth Ann Conner, Alice McLeod, Nadine Schick, Lowell Harris, Dianne Lindgren, Howard Addleman, Marilyn Steinberger, Richard Cornelius, Earl Hamilton, Jesse Deloe, Verena Bender, Janice Brown, Shelby Johnson, William Lanning, Audrey Mayer, Norma Sweeney, Richard Shaffer, Robert Clouse, Ralph Maynard, Richard Schurz, Anita Myers, June Hively, and Mary Catherine Hunter.



Pictured are the Eastern Tennessee alumni who met on Bryan Hill January 9. The meeting was one of nine such gatherings sponsored by the alumni association.

## Alumni Hold Rallies, Regional Gatherings; Tennessee Group Elects Harold Smith President

Concluding a series of gatherings sponsored by alumni groups in nine states, Eastern Tennessee alumni met on Bryan Hill January 9. The Rev. Ralph Toliver, 1937 graduate, told of his own experiences while in China as a missionary.

During the business session led by Harold Smith, vice-president, of the regional association, officers for this year were elected. Mr. Smith was chosen president, the Rev. Paul Levengood, vice-president; and Miss Juanita Pendergrass, secretary. Miss Pendergrass is also a graduate from 1937, and Mr. Smith and Mr. Levengood are former students.

Other rallies were held in Dallas, Texas; Denver, Colorado; Wheaton, Illinois; Wellington, Ohio; Evans City, Pennsylvania; St. Louis, Missouri; Orlando, Florida; and Bloomfield, New Jersey.

John R. Springer, 1950 graduate and president of the Dallas area group, was in charge of the meeting held there December 7.

Another member of the class of 1950, Lester Farrington was master of ceremonies at the Denver banquet held December 29. The Rev. Vernon Grounds, dean of the Conservative Baptist Theological Seminary, was guest speaker. A number of Bryan graduates are now attending the seminary which is located in Denver.

William Kerr, president of the alumni association and graduate of 1939, attended the Bloomfield meeting held December 27. The session was planned by Miss Beatrice Morgan, 1945 graduate, and

held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Llewellyn, who graduated in 1938 and 1939, respectively. The Evans City and the Wellington rallies took place December 26. At Evans City, the Rev. Norman Hirschy, father of four former Bryan students, brought the devotional message in the meeting, which was emceed by a 1949 graduate, Lyman Goehring. The St. Louis alumni met at Hope Church, under the direction of Miss Joyce Cooper, graduate of 1952, December 29, and the Orlando group met at the home of the Lacy Hall's, January 2.

Alumni and present students who live in the Chicago-Wheaton area attended a rally at Wheaton in the home of former student Robert Harper, December 27.

Plans are already being made by some groups for similar fellowship gatherings on or near March 19 as Bryan birthday celebrations.

## EDUCATORS' CONFER

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president of Toccoa Falls Schools; and other school officials.

In another conference of Christian leaders, Earl Williamson, acting business manager, represented Bryan University at the meeting of the Association of Business Officers of Evangelical Schools held January 12 at the Philadelphia Bible Institute. Twelve representatives of Christian institutions of higher learning met to study common business problems and to seek means of improving methods and practices in business administration.



## Intramural Basketball Takes Winter Spotlight In Closely Contested Inter-Class Competition

Upsets and thrills were in store for players and spectators alike in the season's basketball openers January 10. Through the permission of the Rhea high school officials, the basketball play-offs are again being staged in the local high school gymnasium.

In the men's freshman-senior game, the frosh led in the first three quarters, but the seniors doggedly fought for the ball during the last quarter to tie the score at 24 points by the end of the quarter. Final score after the overtime period was 28 to 27, in

favor of the seniors. Leading scorer was senior David Wisthoff, who tossed in 16 points for his team.

The sophomore-junior game was a close one, too. Although the sophomores were leading at the end of the third quarter, the juniors spurted ahead in the final quarter to win, 24 to 20.

In the women's game between the freshmen and seniors, Betty Smetters and Fayth Conner led a scoring spree unmatched by their opponents. Although the freshmen had a long roster of players, good teamwork and the experience of having played together for several years gave the seniors the advantage. Final tally found the seniors on top, 18 to 15.

## Faculty Have Offices

When the academic offices were relocated on the second floor with the other administrative offices, the old rooms thus vacated were arranged for use as faculty offices.

Formerly, because of the lack of space, many of the faculty did not have their own offices which could be used for consultation and study purposes.



John Dougherty, assistant professor of Spanish, converses with juniors Reita Hall (center) and June Hively in his office, which he shares with Glen Atkins, associate professor of Biblical languages and German. This room and similar ones were made available to the instructors this year.

## FROM MY HEART TO YOU

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feel the need of standing behind the school, lending all the support we can give."

A report has already been given of the "Spiritual Meal" and the consciousness of the need for a reality of spiritual depth and experience which will strengthen all of us in the Lord and in the power of His might.

With a clearer understanding of how the Lord has worked, comes a renewal of the vision for Bryan University. We see more clearly God's plan and purpose for a school that will transform hearts while imparting knowledge. As a result we can pray and work more intelligently for the realization of a God-given vision.

We have a larger enrollment and are in considerably better financial position than a year ago. Although greatly reduced since June 1, the accounts payable still outstanding as a result of the building program are a reminder that we can't let down.

What has been accomplished under God should encourage us to pray and press on.

JUDSON A. RUDD  
President.

## Toliver Family Heads For Philippine Islands

The Rev. Ralph Toliver spoke at the chapel services January 9 and 10, just a few weeks before he and his family expected to sail for the Philippine Islands. The Tolivers returned home last winter after being forced to leave Communist China. Since then, they have been preparing to take up new responsibilities in the Philippine Islands.

According to the most recent information, they planned to leave Galveston, Texas, for Manila on the Waterman Line's **Ananias Jackson**, January 31. Their responsibility will be largely administrative and business, an immediate objective being to register the Overseas Missionary Fellowship, as the China Inland Mission is called in the Philippines.

Regarding future plans, Mr. Toliver states: "We are praying that the Lord will double the present number of 13 missionaries and enable us to work more effectively among the Chinese in the Islands, the 200,000 students of Manila, the three-quarter of a million Moslems in the southeasternmost islands, and the half-million tribal people in the jungles and mountains."

Mr. and Mrs. Toliver, were Bryan's first graduates to leave for the foreign mission field.

## DECEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

Operating .....	\$10,464.31
Building .....	1,058.84

Total December gifts \$11,523.15  
FISCAL YEAR TOTALS

(June 1, 1952, to Dec. 31, 1952)	
Operating .....	\$25,756.23
Building .....	18,917.27

Total gifts to Jan. 1 \$44,673.50

Included in the December gifts was \$4,943.12 designated for Gifts-for-the-King.

## Christ Above All

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